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PATENT APPLICATION
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This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

- ☐ under 37 CFR 1.129(a), or
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Application No. 10/042,126

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- ☐ Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement; or
- ☒ No item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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Enclosed herewith is form PTO-1449:

- ☒ Copies of the cited references are enclosed.
- ☐ In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (d), copies of cited references (*list reference not enclosed*) are not enclosed as these references were entered in earlier application, U.S. Application No. [], to which the present application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. 120. The earlier application contains copies of the cited references.
- ☐ If copies of references [*list references not enclosed*] would benefit the Examiner of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney and copies will be forwarded immediately.
- ☐ Listed references [] were cited in the enclosed International Search Report in a counterpart foreign application.

Concise Explanation Requirement (non-English references):

- ☐ The "concise explanation" requirement (non-English references) for reference(s) [] under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) is satisfied by:
- ☐ the explanation provided on the attached sheet.
 - ☐ the explanation provided in the Specification.
 - ☐ submission of the enclosed International Search Report.
 - ☐ the enclosed English language abstract.

Application No. 10/042,126

☐ Applicant requests that the following pending applications be considered:

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by [inventor(s)], filed [], Docket No.: []

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- ☐ A copy of each above-cited application, including the current claims, is enclosed.
- ☐ A copy of each above-cited application, including the current claims, is enclosed, except those entered in prior application, U.S. Application No. [], to which priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 is claimed.

The Examiner is requested to return a copy of the above list of pending applications indicating which references were considered with the next office communication.

It is requested that the information disclosed herein be made of record in this application.

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- ☐ A check for the fee noted above is enclosed, or the fee has been included in the check with the accompanying Reply. A copy of this Statement is enclosed.
- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1935 in the amount of \$180.00.
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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	AD	6,393,431	05/21/02	Salvati et al.	707	104.1	
	AE	6,527,704	03/04/03	Chang et al.	600	112	
	AF	6,561,973	05/13/03	Bala	600	178	
	AG	6,659,940	12/09/03	Adler	600	109	
	AH	2002/0013513	01/31/02	Bala			01/05/01
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